CCRB INVESTIGATIVE RECOMMENDATION

Investigator:		Team:	CCRB Case #:		Force	Discourt	. U.S.
Matthew Wasserman		Team # 8	200908472	v	Abuse	O.L.	☐ Injury
Incident Date(s)		Location of Incident:		I	Precinct:	18 Mo. SOL	EO SOL
Monday, 06/01/2009 3:45 PM		Vanderbilt Avenue an Avenue; 88th PCT sta			88	12/1/2010	12/1/2010
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Complainant/Victim	Type	Home Addr	ress				
Witness(es)		Home Addr	ress				
Subject Officer(s)	Shield	TaxID	Command				
1. LT Gionata Bargellini	00000	907637	088 PCT				
2. POM Basil Omisanya	12552	939148	088 PCT				
Officer(s)	Allegati	on			Inve	estigator Reco	mmendation
A.LT Gionata Bargellini	Abuse: At Willoughby Avenue and Vanderbilt Avenue, LT						
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B.POM Basil Omisanya	Abuse: A Basil Or	At Willoughby Avenue misanya frisked § 87(2)(b)	and Vanderbilt Aver	nue, l	РО		
C.LT Gionata Bargellini	Abuse: At Willoughby Avenue and Vanderbilt Avenue, LT Gionata Bargellini supervised the frisk of \$87(2)(b)						
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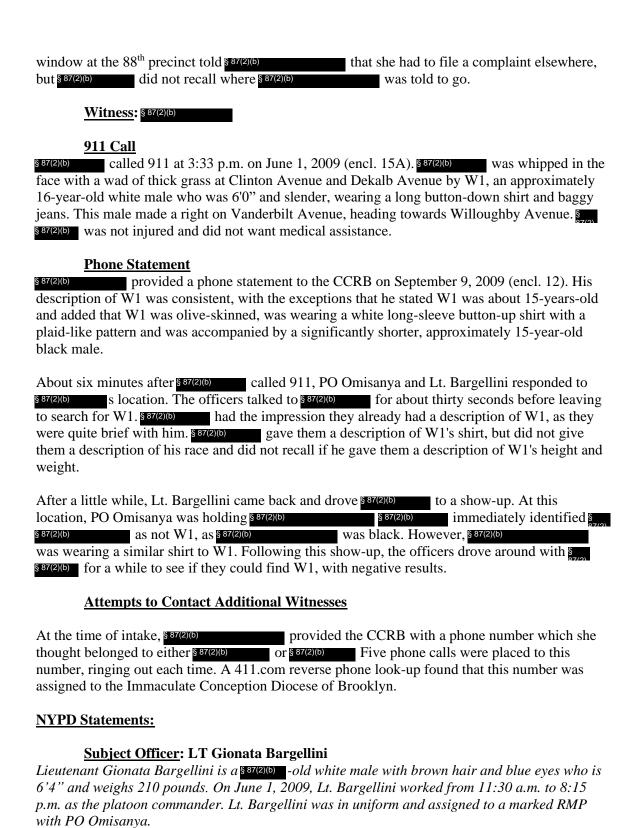
Case Summary

filed a complaint with the CCRB by telephone on June 1, 2009 (encl. 5A-5D). filed two duplicate complaints with the CCRB's Call Processing System on June 1, 2009 (encl. 5A-5D). [87(2)(b)] also emailed a duplicate of this complaint to Brooklyn Borough President Marty Markowitz on June 2, 2009 (encl. 7A-7C).
On June 1, 2009, at about 3:40 P.M., \$87(2)(b) old son, \$87(2)(b) old
Allegation A—Abuse of Authority: At Willoughby Avenue and Vanderbilt Avenue, LT Gionata Bargellini supervised the stop of \$87(2)(b) \$87(2)(0)
Allegation B—Abuse of Authority: At Willoughby Avenue and Vanderbilt Avenue, PO Basil Omisanya frisked [87(2)(0)] Allegation C-Abuse of Authority: At Willoughby Avenue and Vanderbilt Avenue, LT Gionata Bargellini supervised the frisk of [87(2)(0)]
§ 87(2)(g)
Allegation D—Abuse of Authority: At the 88th precinct station house, LT Gionata Bargellini did not process \$87(2)(b) s complaint regarding officers. \$87(2)(g)
Results of Investigation Civilian Statements
Civilian Statements:
Victim: \$87(2)(b) \$87(2)(b) is a \$87(2)(b) -old black male with brown hair and brown eyes who is 5'6" tall and weighs 115 pounds. \$87(2)(b)
CCRB Testimony was interviewed at the CCRB on June 18, 2009 (encl. 6A-6B). On June 1, 2009, at about 3:40 p.m., \$37(2)(b)
A marked police car containing two officers, identified in the course of the investigation as PO Basil Omisanya and Lieutenant Gionata Bargellini, parked near \$87(2)(5) and the officers exited the vehicle. Lt. Bargellini approached \$87(2)(5) and asked him to approach the car. \$87(2)(5) said "I beg your pardon" as he was facing away from the street and could not hear the officer. The officers repeated their request and \$87(2)(5) approached. \$87(2)(5) stood next to the car without putting his hands on the car.

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Witness: § 87(2)(b)

is a \$87(2)(b) -old black male who is 5'3" with dark brown hair and brown eyes. \$87(2)(b)
CCRB Testimony was interviewed at the CCRB on June 15, 2009 (encl. 8A-8B).
§ 87(2)(g)
stated that Lt. Bargellini took \$87(2)(b) backpack off, opened it and then later searched it when he was inside the RMP. \$87(2)(b) gave Lt. Bargellini's threat to him, \$87(2)(b) and \$87(2)(b) as "You guys have to go home or you're going to get searched."
Witness: \$87(2)(b) \$87(2)(b) is a \$87(2)(b) -old black male who is 5'3", weighs 100 pounds and has brown eyes and brown hair. \$87(2)(b)
©CRB Testimony S87(2)(b) was interviewed at the CCRB on July 7, 2009 (encl. 9A-9B). Statement was generally consistent with that of S87(2)(b) with the following exceptions. S87(2)(b) stated that Lt. Bargellini, not PO Omisanya, took S87(2)(b) also stated that PO Omisanya handcuffed S87(2)(b) after frisking S87(2)(b) further stated that Lt. Bargellini drove off with S87(2)(b) backpack and threw it to the ground upon his return with S87(2)(b) gave Lt. Bargellini's threat as either "leave or get checked" or "leave unless you want to get checked."
Witness: \$87(2)(b) \$87(2)(b)
CCRB Testimony was interviewed at the CCRB on July 17, 2009 (encl. 10A-10B). §87(2)(9)
agreed with \$87(2)(b) that PO Omisanya took \$87(2)(b) backpack off, but stated that PO Omisanya opened this backpack and examined it before dropping it on the ground. \$87(2)(b) gave Lt. Bargellini's threat as "go home or we'll search you too." \$87(2)(b) stated that at the station house, when \$87(2)(b) stated that she wanted to make a complaint, Lt. Bargellini told her to go ahead, although he also stated something to the effect of "There's nothing to complain about."
Witness: § 87(2)(b)
Phone Statement \$87(2)(b) provided two consistent phone statements to the CCRB on July 2, 2009 and July 24 2009 (encl. 11A-11B). \$87(2)(b) missed a scheduled interview at the CCRB and did not respond to a missed appointment letter and two follow-up calls. In total, three letters were sent and five calls were made to \$87(2)(b) between June 29, 2009 and August 7, 2009.
\$87(2)(b) stated that Lt. Bargellini, not PO Omisanya, dropped \$37(2)(b) backpack to the ground. \$87(2)(b) also stated that an officer behind the



Memo Book

Lt. Bargellini has the following memo book entry regarding this incident (encl. 13A-13C). At 3:43 p.m. on June 1, 2009: "Male stopped w/ PO Omisanya re: 10-39/Assault—Negative on

show-up. Victim vicinity of Dekalb/Clinton and Willoughby SQF [stop, question and frisk report] prepared and submitted."

CCRB Testimony

Lt. Bargellini was interviewed at the CCRB on October 7, 2009 (encl. 13D-13F). At about 3:43 p.m. on June 1, 2009, Lt. Bargellini and PO Omisanya responded to Clinton Avenue and Dekalb Avenue, where they spoke to \$87(2)(6) who stated that juveniles had thrown a clump of grass at his face. Lt. Bargellini would classify this action as attempted assault. \$87(2)(6) was not injured and did not need an ambulance. \$87(2)(6) stated that there were two juveniles involved in the assault, one a black male and the other a white or Hispanic male, and that the assailant was wearing a plaid shirt. \$87(2)(6) did not specify if the black male or the white/Hispanic male was the assailant. Lt. Bargellini did not recall if \$87(2)(6) described the weight, height or build of the assailants. The officers only spoke with \$87(2)(6) for about ten seconds as he stated that his assailants had just run around the corner.
The officers told \$87(2)(b) to wait at Clinton Avenue and Dekalb Avenue and drove down Vanderbilt Avenue. About a block and a half away, the officers spotted a group of four juvenile males, two of them fitting the description of the assailants and one wearing a plaid shirt. The white or Hispanic male and the black male wearing a plaid shirt, identified as \$87(2)(b) were roughhousing or play-fighting while the other two males were watching them. This activity raised Lt. Bargellini's level of suspicion. However, Lt. Bargellini mostly decided to stop \$87(2)(b) based on him matching the description provided by \$7(2)(b)
The officers pulled their RMP up by the juveniles and Lt. Bargellini asked come over to the RMP. Ser(2)(b) did not want to come over to the RMP. Lt. Bargellini told him to come over several times and ser(2)(b) was saying, "No, I didn't do anything wrong" and was backing away. Ser(2)(b) did not try to run away. Lt. Bargellini asked ser(2)(b) if he had been involved in a fight or thrown grass at someone's face after Lt. Bargellini's first request for ser(2)(b) to come over to the RMP. Ser(2)(b) denied that he had been involved in a fight or thrown grass at anyone.
PO Omisanya walked around the RMP and told \$87(2)(b) to place his hands on the RMP. As \$37(2)(b) did not comply, PO Omisanya placed \$37(2)(b) hands on the RMP and proceeded to frisk \$87(2)(b) Lt. Bargellini did not recall whether he instructed PO Ominsaya to frisk \$37(2)(b) but may have done so. Lt. Bargellini did not observe any bulges on \$37(2)(b) clothing or anything that led him to believe that may have had a weapon. After \$37(2)(b) was frisked, Lt. Bargellini noticed that there was no dirt on his hands.
friends were initially right next to him, but after \$87(2)(b) walked over to the car, they stepped three to four feet away. Lt. Bargellini told \$37(2)(b) friends to leave and asked them if they were also involved in this incident. Lt. Bargellini did not specify what would happen to \$87(2)(b) friends if they didn't leave and did not tell either to leave or get checked or to leave or get searched. Lt. Bargellini did not recall if \$87(2)(b) had a backpack.
PO Omisanya held \$37(2)(b) while Lt. Bargellini drove off to retrieve \$37(2)(b) who was still at Dekalb Avenue and Clinton Avenue. Lt. Bargellini drove \$37(2)(b) to

Vanderbilt Avenue and Willoughby Street, whereupon \$87(2)(b) stated that \$37(2)(c) was not the assailant. The officers told \$87(2)(b) that he was free to go and then drove around the neighborhood for five to ten minutes further with \$87(2)(c) in search of his assailants. This canvass yielded negative results.
Lt. Bargellini later returned to the 88 th precinct station house to find that \$87(2)(b) mother, identified as \$87(2)(b) was present at the station house. \$37(2)(b) was upset about her son being stopped. Lt. Bargellini explained to \$37(2)(b) that they had stopped her son based on a radio run, talking to her for about twenty minutes. \$87(2)(b) threatened to sue Lt. Bargellini and the city, but did not ask to file a civilian complaint. No other officer who was present at the station house before Lt. Bargellini told him that \$87(2)(b) had asked to file a civilian complaint.
Subject Officer: PO Basil Omisanya PO Basil Omisanya is a \$\frac{887(2)(5)}{2}\$ -old black male with black hair and brown eyes who is 5'10" and weighs 170 pounds. PO Omisanya worked from 3:00 p.m. to 11:35 P.M. on June 1, 2009 as the lieutenant's operator. PO Omisanya was in uniform, assigned to a marked RMP and working with Lt. Bargellini.
Memo Book PO Omisanya had the following memo book entries regarding this incident (encl. 14A-14B). At 3:41 p.m. on June 1, 2009: "10-39 @ Dekalb Ave + Clinton Ave." At 3:42 p.m.: "10-84." At 3:43 p.m.: "1 male stop[ped] \$87(2)(b) Phone #\$87(2)(b) Male was stopped due to a 10-39. Victim stated a male with a checker[ed] button-up shirt did hit him in the face with a patch of grass and dirt which did cause pain to his face. Show up was conducted with negative results. The male stopped was released."
Stop and Frisk Report was stopped at Vanderbilt Avenue and Willoughby Avenue in Brooklyn at 3:46 p.m. on June 1, 2009 (encl. 14C-14E). He was stopped for five minutes, following one minute of observation, on suspicion of assault in the 2 nd degree, because he fit a description. was frisked, as he was suspected of committing a violent crime and he refused to comply with officers' directions, but he was not searched. The following force was used: "hands on suspect". **St7(2)(6)** demeanor was described as "scared" and he made the following remark: "I just got out of school. I walked through the park."
CCRB Testimony PO Omisanya was interviewed at the CCRB on October 7, 2009 (encl. 14F-14H). SE7(2)(9)
PO Omisanya confirmed that officers only asked for and received a clothing description and direction of flight for W1 from PO Ominsaya stated that 77(2)(6) came over to the RMP after being asked to do so two or three times and PO Ominsaya did not physically bring 77(2)(6) to the RMP. PO Omisanya decided to frisk 77(2)(6) on his own and was not instructed to do so by Lt. Bargellini.
PO Omisanya frisked \$87(2)(b) because \$87(2)(b) was suspected of having committed a violent crime. PO Omisanya classified hitting someone in the face with grass as assault in the second degree. PO Omisanya stated that a frisk is warranted in any case where there is suspicion of a violent crime. PO Omisanya further stated that he feared for his safety because was suspected of having committed a violent crime and PO Omisanya was

afraid that \$87(2)(b) "would do the same thing to me that he did to the victim." PO Omisanya suspected that \$87(2)(b) might hit him in the face with grass because \$37(2)(b) did not initially comply with orders.
PO Omisanya did not observe any bulges on \$87(2)(b) person, but \$27(2)(b) was wearing a loose jacket that might hide any bulges. PO Omisanya could not initially see \$87(2)(b) hands and did not know what he had in his hands. However, by the time \$87(2)(b) had arrived at the RMP, PO Omisanya had seen his hands and did not think there was anything in them. PO Omisanya did not recall if he observed dirt on \$87(2)(b) hands.
NYPD Documents
Sprint/Communications CD At 3:33 p.m. on June 1, 2009, called 911 (encl. 15A-15B). At 3:37 p.m., Lt. Bargellini was dispatched to this job. At 3:46 p.m., one male was stopped at Vanderbilt Avenue and Willoughby Avenue. At 3:49 p.m., a show-up was conducted with negative results.
 Status of Civil Proceedings As of September 3, 2009, no notice of claim had been filed for this incident (encl. 18E-18F).
<u>Civilian Criminal History</u> ■ [§ 87(2)(b)] [§ 86(1)(3)&(4)] [§ 87(2)(c)]
Civilian CCRB History • \$87(2)(b) and \$87(2)(b) have not filed a CCRB complaint for any other incident (encl. 3A-3B).
 Subject Officer CCRB Histories Lt. Bargellini has been a member of service for fifteen years and there are no substantiated CCRB complaints against him (encl. 2A). PO Omisanya has been a member of service for four years and there are no substantiated CCRB complaints against him (encl. 2B).
Conclusion
Identification of Subject Officers
Lt. Bargellini and PO Ominsanya acknowledged their respective roles in this incident. §87(2)(9)
<u>Investigative Findings and Recommendations</u>
Allegations Not Pled

As \$87(2)(6) did not allege that his backpack was searched, this allegation was not pled.
§ 87(2)(g)
Allegation A—Abuse of Authority: At Willoughby Avenue and Vanderbilt Avenue, LT Gionata Bargellini stopped §87(2)(b)
It is undisputed that officers forcibly stopped § 87(2)(b) § 87(2)(g)
An officer has the authority to stop an individual if they have a reasonable suspicion that this individual committed a crime (encl. 1A). People v. Debour, 40 N.Y.2d 210. A statement from an identified victim of a crime can provide an officer with such suspicion, if they provide a sufficiently detailed description of the perpetrator (encl. 1B-1D). Kamins, New York Search & Seizure, p. 2-62 to 2-64 (2008 ed.).
PO Omisanya and Lt. Bargellini agree that \$87(2)(b) described the perpetrator as a male juvenile wearing a plaid or checkered shirt who had gone down Vanderbilt Avenue towards Willoughby Avenue, which is consistent with \$87(2)(b) s statement. On the basis of this limited description, officers stopped \$87(2)(b) However, \$87(2)(c) s assailant:
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Allegation B—Abuse of Authority: At Willoughby Avenue and Vanderbilt Avenue, PO Basil Omisanya frisked \$37(2)(5) Allegation C-Abuse of Authority: At Willoughby Avenue and Vanderbilt Avenue, LT Gionata Bargellini supervised the frisk of \$37(2)(5)
It is undisputed that PO Omisanya frisked \$87(2)(b) \$87(2)(g)

Barry Kamins states that "the general rule regarding frisks...is that an officer must have reasonable suspicion to believe a suspect has committed a crime *and* a reasonable suspicion that the suspect is armed and dangerous...a frisk is permitted in the absence of a specific, articulated danger to the police when an officer stops a suspect because he reasonably believes the individual committed a violent crime" (encl. 1E-1F). Ibid., p. 2-80 to 2-81.

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Bargellini told her that she had to Bargellini stated that \$87(2)(b) complaint, but instead talked abou \$87(2)(b) all provided statements in complaint. However, \$87(2)(b) this complaint and no civilians agr Furthermore, \$87(2)(b) and \$87(2)(b) Lt. Bargellini told \$87(2)(b)	e went to the 88 th precedl an 800 number, we did not indicate suing him. \$87(2)(b) thought that \$87(2)(b) thought that \$87(2)(b) thought that she could not that she could not call an example of the state of the	inct to file a civilian complain hich he did not provide to her te to him that she wished to fi an attempted to file had been allowed by the attempted officer with the attempted of the attempt	es. It, but Lt. Lt. le a civilian d s a ed to file ho was not
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